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## Deckers Creek, Acid Mine Drainage, West Virginia

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### Economic Opportunities

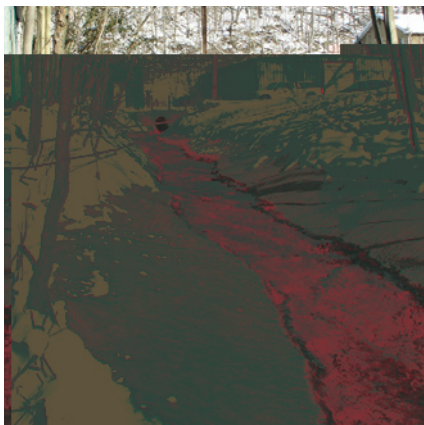
An average annual benefit of \$927,000 will come from recreational activities which include fishing and other water sports, Scenic Byway enhancement, and rail trail enhancement. Approximately 48,000 residents of Monongalia and Preston Counties will benefit directly or indirectly. This project will create or save jobs in the area.

### Statewide Perspective

Acid Mine Drainage is a significant resource concern in West Virginia. Improving the water quality in Deckers Creek is a high priority.

### For More Information

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Some of the worst stained reaches of stream are through the city of Morgantown in highly visible areas.



Red iron oxide stains the rocks where it first hits the creek. Just outside the red zone, there is an intense white rind of aluminum oxide in this snowy winter scene.

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